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RE: Soil contamination beneath the proposed waste-water treatment plant foundation
Naval Air Warfare Center Site

Dear Tom:

This letter is to restate the Department's position regarding cleanup of contaminated soils as discussed in your conversation with Tim Sheehan of this office on May 23, 1995 and at our May 30, 1995 meeting.

Contaminated soils must be removed and legally disposed or remediated if the level of contamination exceeds either the Department's Cleanup Standards for Contaminated Soils or site specific cleanup standards. Since previous commitments were made to excavate and remove all soils with contaminant concentrations exceeding our standards, we feel that such work should be completed prior to construction of the waste-water treatment plant.

In order to develop site specific standards for the contaminants of concern, chromium and cadmium, the Navy must collect sufficient soil samples from the areas of contamination and have them analyzed by the EPA Method 1312 procedure. This method is also known as the Synthetic Precipitation Leachate Procedure (SPLP). The results of those analyses should be submitted to this office, and we will then determine whether further study or remedial action is necessary. Before accepting final site specific standards, we would distribute the analytical results to the members of the NAWC Technical Review Committee for their review and comment.

Mr. Thomas C. Ames

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Please inform me in writing as soon possible of the course of action the Navy has decided to pursue. If I may answer questions or be of assistance, please call me at the above number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David C. Kennedy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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